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Noda et al.

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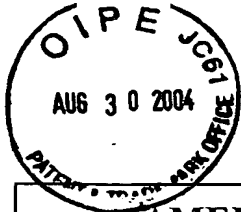
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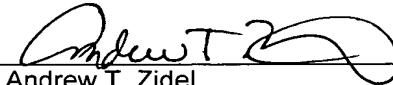
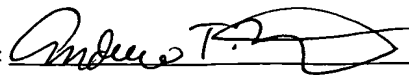
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2004,
applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Docket No. SONYTA 3.9-072	
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Applicant(s): Tatsushi Noda, Hiroshi Adachi, and Yosuke Yamamoto				
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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS				
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.				
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